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ONLINE LEARNING PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any online learning programme is being run by the Government to improve the quality of engineering and science education in the country;

(b) if so,the details thereof;and

(c) the details of the results achieved after implementation of such programme?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Human Resource Development initiated the National Programme for Technology Enhanced Learning (NPTEL) to enhance quality engineering education in the country by developing curriculum based video courses and web based e-courses.

The Programme was formally launched on September 3rd,2006 in IIT Madras.The contents are currently made available to everyone in India and abroad through the website http://nptel.iitm.ac.in maintained by I I T Madras.Quite a large number of students/teachers/working professionals from across 140 countries have registered with the site for free access.The video lectures are currently being broadcast through the Eklavya channel and approximately 50 engineering institutions in the country have set up their own receivers with a dish antenna to receive the signal in their own campuses.